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By loving hearts the cloak is shared
and the loaf is shared
and the work and the penny are shared.
The sorrows and the prayers and
hopes are shared.
By loving hearts they are shared,
and by the fulfillers of the
commandment . . .

LUTHERAN CO-OPERATION ISSUE

Life Together

If nothing more were involved in "Lutheran Co-operation" th sizable budget item, that would be one thing. All one would then to do would be to explain the merits of the item. That would be si because the merits of the various projects are apparent. Then the m would come rolling in, and The Evangelical Lutheran Church c mark "Lutheran Co-operation" finished business.

There is more to it than that, however—much more. The budget merely represents our share of the cost of carrying on certain work w requires more strength than any one group of Lutherans possesses. the projects themselves are symbols of our "Life together" as Luthe wherever we are.

Time was when Lutherans on this side of the Atlantic enjoyed cious little "life together." Language isolated us; suspicions insulate Nor was it easy for us to realize that we needed each other. "Life a was quite satisfactory and certainly far easier than seeking "life toge with those we neither knew nor understood.

Three wars and a depression have hurled us into each other's a We were forced to do things together; so we learned to know other—and, lo and behold, we discovered that God had all along wa us to enjoy "life together"! So joint effort revealed unity, and unity op increasing fields for joint effort. Truly, a blessed circle.

"Lutheran Co-operation" should be one of the happiest of our C tian efforts. In it lies the possibility of doing untold good to "those are of the household of the faith"; in it is a fellowship which grows more dear; and in it is the pattern for a unified Lutheran Churc America. O.G.M.

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Ministering to the Multitude

Our Lutheran churches have a vital mission on campus, and the Rev. Robert W. Larsen is qualified to tell about it. Formerly assistant di tor of the Division of College and University W NLC, he is now pastor of the Bethesda Luth Church at Ames, Iowa.

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Life in **Austria** has returned to near normal, with only 40,000 refugees remaining—20,000 of them Hungarians. The pressures of one year ago, when the country became a temporary haven for hordes of Hungarian refugees, have been eased. But even under normal conditions, many people are in need of material aid. Lutheran World Relief is supplying food for 44,100 school children, 770 people in institutions, and 42,000 general needy. Clothing shipments are being resumed.

All These . . .

In a mountain village of Yugoslavia a dark-eyed little girl clasps frozen fingers around the warmth of a bowl of hot gruel. A smile momentarily lights her pale face. It is her first food of the day and she has walked two miles across snow-covered roads to get it.

Half-way around the world in Hong Kong, a city which plays reluctant host to some 775,000 refugees from the Chinese Mainland, a frail young man, his body wracked with tubercular coughs, is admitted to a hospital for care.

In Tanganyika, British East Africa, a missionary calls to order a class in Christian education for youngsters whose parents do not know how to read or write.

In Greece a farmer is taught methods to increase the yield of his few acres.

At a radar station somewhere near the Arctic Circle an Air Force chaplain conducts a worship service for a group of U.S. servicemen who man the lonely outpost.

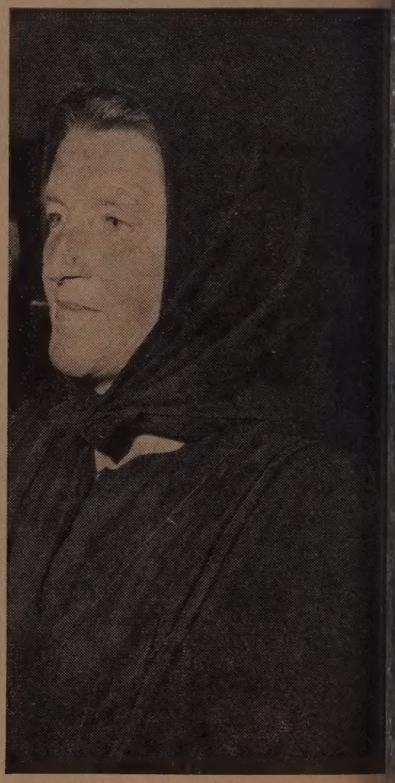
And in the United States a young refugee couple and their two youngsters are welcomed after a long sea voyage with assurances of a job and home to begin a new life here.

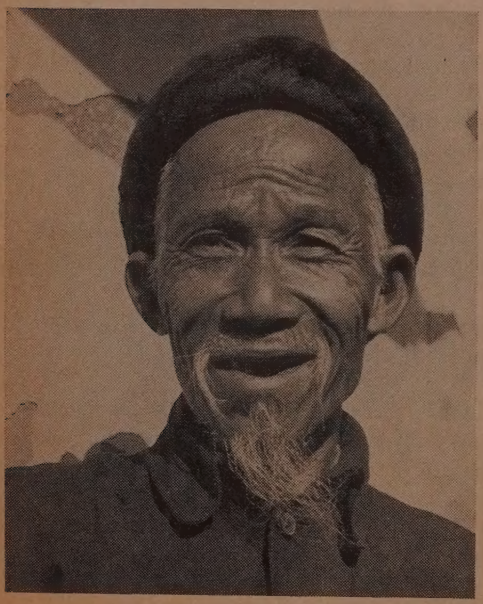
To all these—the isolated and lonely, the hungry, the sick, the ill-clad and the homeless—U.S. Lutherans reach out daily with life-sustaining gifts of food, clothing, medicines and services through a network of offices and personnel located in strategic areas around the world.

On this and the next two pages we tell through pictures the story of what your Lutheran World Action dollars are accomplishing in destitute areas throughout the world.

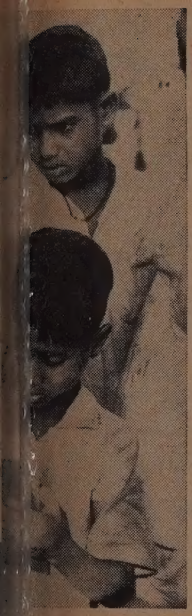
Lutheran World Relief assists in **Germany** by sending clothing and food for 132,240 needy individuals in institutions, 180,000 refugees, 150,000 aged, and 9,000 people classified as general needy. Distribution is carried out by the efficient and effective Evangelisches Hilfswerk.

School children in **Yugoslavia** were seriously u nourished. Many had tuberculosis. There has a marked improvement in their health since and Church World Service have sent food, maki possible for two million children to receive a hot fast in school. Food is also sent for 12,000 people a the general needy. In **Hungary,** too, many p need material aid, especially clothing. The revol late in 1956 led to an opening of the border, and supplies moved into the country at once. Supplie tinued to go in until the middle of 1957, when were stopped by the Hungarian government.





The slopes and valleys of **Taiwan** are so productive that sugar and rice are exported, while the economy is so listless that one million people are ill-clad and seriously undernourished. Monotony and poverty prevail. Lutheran World Relief sends food and clothing for 103,000 people.

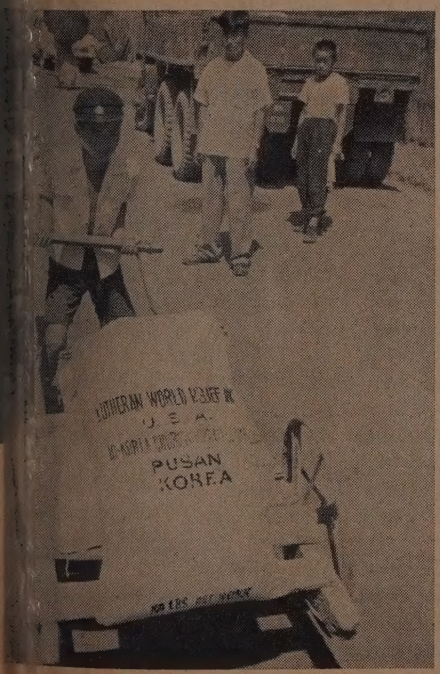


Whole regions of famine resulting from drought or floods are common in **India.** There is always too little food for some of the people and a lack of the right kind for most. Two and one half million people have active tuberculosis. Food sent by LWR reaches 140,000 needy people.

In **Syria** and **Jordan,** bitter and resentful refugees wait out the years in unhealthful refugee camps, while the director of UNRWA pleads before the United Nations for support to keep them alive. They are forgotten except by those who make it a point to remember. LWR supplies food, medical supplies, and substantial quantities of clothing.

is a desolate land. More than two million need material relief of some kind. LWR ood and clothing for 75,000 Koreans, and l supplies are sent for use in hospitals and

Ten thousand refugees enter **Hong Kong** each month from Red China. Refugees who need assistance now number 700,000. They live on sidewalks, between buildings, on staircases, in tenements, on roof tops, and in open caves on the hillsides. LWR shipments of food, clothing, and medicine are distributed to 82,000 refugees.



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In an urban church planning session in the San Francisco Bay area, Pastors Kloetzli and Hidy help in the preparation of maps and charts.

As a pastor in a small town in Western South Dakota, I could stand on the church steps and see most of the homes in the town. In driving over prairie roads to open country churches, I soon became acquainted with the family ranches along the way. Unconsciously, I reasoned that if a pastor stayed long enough and worked hard enough, he could eventually reach every home with the gospel of Jesus Christ.

What a contrast it was to stand on the steps of Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Omaha near one of the busiest intersections in the city. The cars with unknown drivers and passengers *whiz* by. There are thousands of people, but how can a person stop them to tell them the good news of Christ? No matter how long a pastor stayed here, no matter how hard he worked, he could never reach all these people. The question even arose as to whether it was worthwhile to begin, since the task seemed so big and almost hopeless.

This work would require planning. It could not be done alone. Every Christian church, every Christian would have to be enlisted to help. With this observation, I also became aware of my biggest mistake in my first parish. That job could not be done alone either!

As a pastor I needed help. Where could it be found? Almost immediately help appeared in the person of the Rev. Walter Kloetzli, Jr. of Urban Church Planning. He works under the Division of American Missions of the National Lutheran Council to help the urban church.

The first step was a self-study of the congregation as outlined by Pastor Kloetzli. It was work to dig up the facts, but it was rewarding work!

Sunday School—The study revealed that the Sunday school enrollment had been about the same since 1921 when the church was built. Two hundred students seemed to be the saturation point. Plans for a new parish house were well under way. They were changed to provide room for more Sunday school classes than first planned. Upon completion of construction, enrollment increased to three hundred almost immediately, and there is still room for growth.

Schedule of Services—A flag map of the membership revealed that two thirds of the people were driving some distance to church. Many of them were making two trips for worship and day school. Children were m church. Time for the early servic changed from 8:30 to 9 A.M., with day school children going directly church to classes. Parents wer couraged to spend this time i adult Bible class. Now, the famil make one trip to church for both ship and Sunday school.

Congregational Mobility — showed that of 412 confirmed bers in 1947, only 187 still bel in 1956. Over half had moved Only 77 of the 412 were still at the same address they were years ago. The moving rate sho sharp increase in 1954. At this old members began to move awa er than new members could be in. Thus, membership began t cline. To meet this challenge, th gregation added a parish work the staff in addition to the past tern, and secretary.

However, not even a large staf meet the need. The only answer mobilize the entire congregatio evangelism.

Stewardship—A study of con tional giving showed an increa over 400% from 1950 to 1955.

By James R. Otterness

r the Urban Church

enevolence giving had not n this increase. From 1955 to nevolence giving increased over with a higher goal in 1958.

se of the high mobility rate, the ation has found that a once- ledge system is not adequate. ecreases sharply as active mem- ve away, if the new members reached in an effective way tely upon joining the congre- A fifty-two week stewardship required.

rship—The self-study showed st of the leadership lived some from the church. Nominating ees since then have nominated three candidates for each of- the church council. The slate included representation from hborhood of the church. The roup of leaders have belonged ngregation less than five years. lf the leaders have been mem- s than ten years (see chart). adership is ready to accept and look ahead, but it is weak ing out responsibility. Unless e leaders willing to act inde- y with a spirit of venture, risk- r and failure, the pastor be- he biggest bottleneck to the of the congregation. Its growth omes limited to the ability and f the pastor.

each the Neglected—When the pyramids of the congregation mpared with the pyramid of rch neighborhood, it became t that the church was missing a oup of single girls and a small- of single men from 19 to 25 age. The first invitations to rogram for single adults on an odical basis got a cold shoulder. urch wanted its own. But a approach was begun to inter- al of the Lutheran churches in In the fall, it became a reality the name "Crossroads." The idea is to keep the Cross in the cross-roads of life for young people that come to the city to work. The self-study pointed out the necessity of our working together to meet this need.

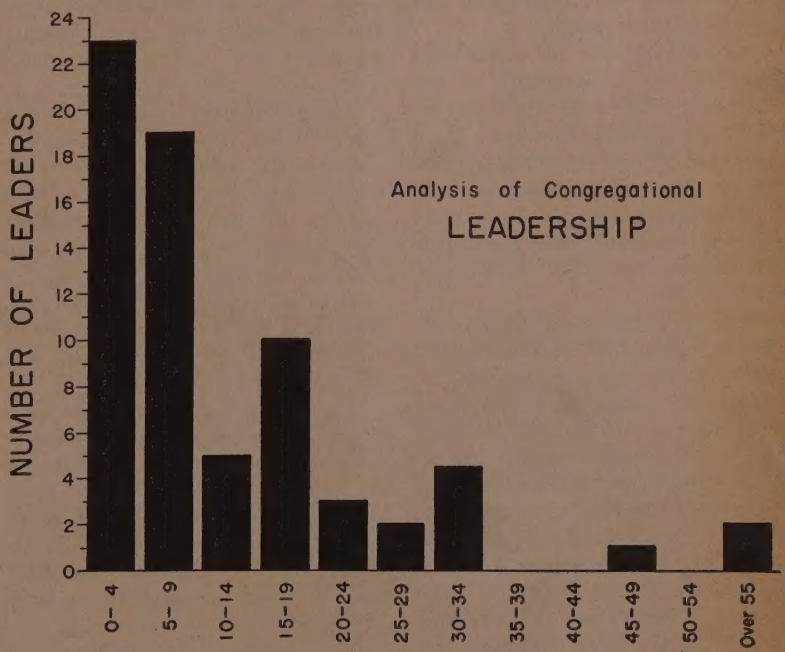
There is also a need for an inter-synodical fellowship for widowers and widows that still have many years of active life ahead of them. Those who have experienced the reality of being alone after enjoying a Christian home will understand this need.

The Frontier of the Inner City

The word frontier suggests opportunity, challenge, courage, and a need for pioneering. The greatest frontier of the Church today is the place that she has left behind, the inner city. "In their paths are ruin and misery," says Paul in the third chapter of Romans. Ruin and misery, both material and human, are marks of the inner city.

In the case of Our Savior's, as in many other churches, the frontier of the inner city includes overcoming the barriers of race and class distinctions. The situation is uncomfortable because prejudices are a part of our subjective nature and do not give way easily to the proclamation of objective truth. Our church building is located on the east side of 30th Street, which is a dividing line for white and colored people in the city of Omaha. The section of the city in which the church is located is growing in population faster than any other part. It grows by squeezing four families into the rooms where two used to live. The greatest increase is in the Negro population.

All the Protestant congregations with a long history of white membership on the near-north side of Omaha have moved or are in the process of



This chart shows how many years the present leaders of Our Savior's have belonged to the congregation.

Being located at the intersection of the newest radial highway and the main north-south street of the city makes the church easily accessible for commuters. However, parking space is a real problem. The wonderful access streets are also barriers to pedestrian traffic. People on the other side of the street prefer to send their children a mile in the other direction to Sunday school, rather than have them cross a street with fast-moving traffic.

relocation, with the exception of two. Our Savior's Lutheran has announced its intention to stay by building a new parish house and making other improvements on its property.

Japanese children belong to the congregation and are fully accepted. Some eyebrows were lifted when a Mexican lady joined the congregation, but everyone was completely disarmed by her gracious Christian personality.

The self-study was one of the steps along the way to acceptance of our responsibility to witness to all on behalf of our Lord, Jesus Christ. It led to the board of deacons going on record that the doors of the church are open to all, without respect for race or class. The only integration of negroes up to this time has been in the scouting program.

How does the membership feel? Most are pretty well agreed that the doors will be opened to all. All, including the pastor, have misgivings about how we will feel and act when the Negroes come to worship with us. We feel much like Abraham must have felt when he was called to go into a strange country. We do not know exactly where we are going, or what will happen. We only know that the Spirit of God is leading us, and our faith is in Him. We know that our Lord, Jesus Christ will be with us as long as we seek to do His will.

A Boiling Cauldron

Pastor Kloetzli has called the inner city a boiling pot, bubbling and spilling over into the rest of the city and the suburbs. Into the midst of this boiling pot goes the Lutheran farm family that has gone broke. They are looking for low cost housing until dad can get a job in a factory and the family can get on its feet. The single Lutheran adults also come, banding together to rent rooms or apartments within their budgets.

Young Lutheran married couples come. They are satisfied with an apartment in the inner city for sixty to eighty dollars a month until they have children that need room to play. Then they have saved enough to scrape up a down payment on a home with a yard, some distance from the inner city. The Lutheran Church needs to be in the inner city to welcome them and to help them on their way.

The inner city also receives the families who for various reasons, have to leave the small town and who know of no other place to go than the inner city where they can start life anew. Here you find the divorced, the deserted, the delinquent, and the destitute. It is like one great sore in need of the healing of Jesus Christ.

Many families living in poverty in the inner city have incomes of $10,000 per year, but the money is wasted in unregenerate living. We have medicine, but we either lack the to induce the people to receive it ingly, or we withhold it because too expensive for the return th received.

A study of the congregation an community in which it is locate a definite effect upon sermons. I ing exploitation is especially pre in the inner city. Old, dilapi apartments are rented as follows rooms, unfurnished, utilities not fifty dollars a month, rent collect the week; the landlord does little repair, pays low taxes because o state of the building, collects a to $1,200 per month rent from a bui with six apartments on each of floors. Few better places can be f for investing your money if you no conscience.

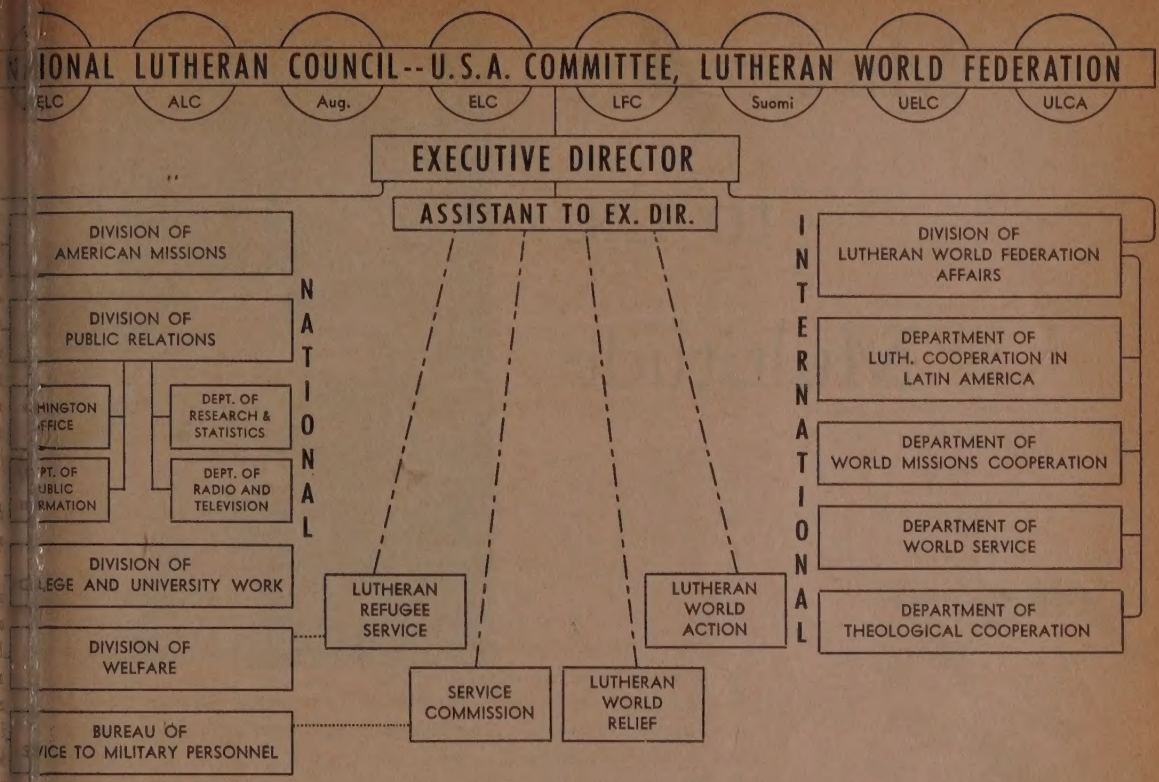
Many of the people in the comm ty are victims of the small loan panies. They get behind and co date their debts with a loan at interest. This sounds very reaso but it is 3% per month or 36% year, plus some extra bookke charges. We fight this by prea and by use of a deacons' fund to people in times of distress.

The inner city is also the grounds for the lives and homes ken by liquor, illegal gambling, legal gambling at horse races.

The people who own the tene houses, loan the money at 36%, behind the liquor trade, and en the horse races are often civic le if not church leaders, and they s conflict between what they do and they profess to be.

I thank God for the Divisio American Missions of the Nationa theran Council for the leadersh is giving to both the rural an urban churches. The staff helps t come aware of the community an day in which we live so that the g of Jesus Christ can become effe especially with respect to the gia cial sins that might otherwise g challenged by a satisfied church.

We may die as a church. Bu shall die fighting for justice, an shall die loving those in whose we live and serve, for whom our gave His life on Calvary!



Lutherans are at work together. If you attended the Minneapolis meeting of the Lutheran World Federation, or if you read recent issues of either *Time* or *Look* which contained articles about the Lutheran Church, you are aware of this fact.

As you can see from the above chart, we are thinking of many things when we think of Lutheran Co-operation. Our co-operative work is carried on both at home and abroad. Its program provides for taking care of our own, providing for brethren in war-torn areas, and bringing the gospel to people who have never heard that glorious message. Over the years, it has meant providing almost $50,000,000 in cash through Lutheran World Action, and an additional $77,000,-000 in goods through Lutheran World Relief.

In the past, Lutherans in the U.S. provided large quantities of wheat and corn which were sent to distressed areas of the world, but in 1955 the U.S. Government began releasing surplus grain and commodities to Lutheran World Relief. It takes money, however, to deliver these commodities to the people who need them. Because Lutheran World Action budgets are set three years in advance, we in the ELC will need to provide an additional $60,000 in 1958 to take advantage of these surplus foods.

The need now is for dollars, not grain, but what a bargain! One dollar will deliver 150 pounds of surplus food. It will provide one cup of milk per day for twenty people for three months. To have a part in providing for unfortunate people in Austria, Egypt, Germany, Hong Kong, Jordan, Korea, Syria, Taiwan, and Yugoslavia, send your gifts to Mr. N. H. Nelson, Treasurer, for: "Surplus Food—LWA."

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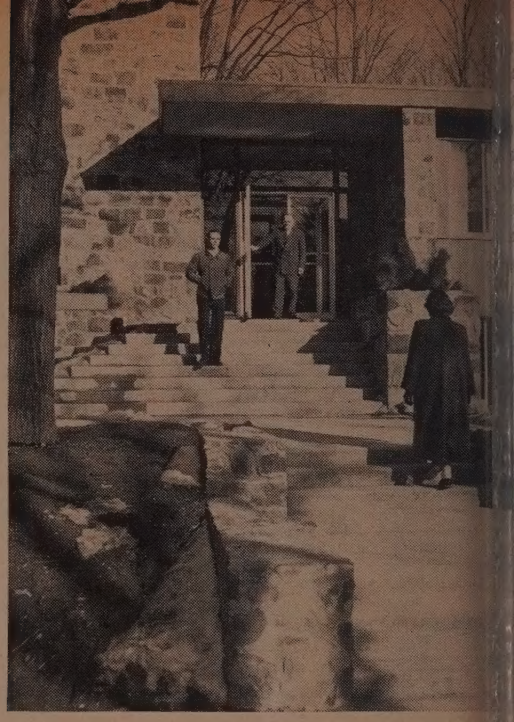
Ministering to the Multitude



This Student Center at the University of Michig one of many built by the National Lutheran Co

By Robert W. Larsen

He is really too young to be asking those difficult questions. But Sunday school is a banner event in his life, and it is here that he listens to the stories about Jesus preaching to the multitudes. Those stories linger in his mind as he rides in Dad's car through the campus on a busy Monday afternoon. With wide eyes he asks, "Are those the people that Jesus preaches to?"

His question is an interesting one from the lips of a small child. It is a better question when it arises out of the life of the Church that preaches the message of the Master. Is the campus multitude the people that the Church ministers to?

Double or Nothing

In a few years this little boy will probably be elbowing his way to class on a busy Monday afternoon. The throng he saw between classes was a very small fraction of the total campus population. Within this student total are more than 85,000 Lutheran students who have come from churches working through the National Lutheran Council. When this young boy joins the ranks of students, he will also join 150,000 fellow Lutheran students . . . a double-sized multitude. His question and the question confronting the churches will have become twice as large.

This question cannot be set aside, because this concern for the campus is not optional but mandatory. Our Lutheran churches have a vital mission on the campus, not primarily because of these growing numbers, but because of a commission from Jesus Christ. The Campus mission is caught up in the inclusive mission of the churches, but the unique setting within the campus requires a special concern from these churches. College students simply cannot be counted AWOL from the Church. This assertion means that the churches cannot write these students off their responsibilities. Then add to that more than one million students who claim no church relationship, and the campus mission begins to take on gigantic proportions. *We must be concerned.*

And Who Are We?

Who should be concerned about the Lutheran Churches' responsibilities at state and private institutions of higher learning? Dare we say that a few leaders in education should be cerned . . . or a few campus p and staff . . . or parents who children rubbing shoulders with growing campus multitude? Of c all these will quite naturally h special interest. But if the total cern for these students is isolat these groups with vested interest campus mission will surely be s ered in the years ahead by the lanche of students. No, the concer this campus multitude is the co of the entire Lutheran Church: congregation, every pastor, every c council and board, every leader every member.

What Can Be Done?

Our Lutheran Churches are no volved in a significant campus mi that witnesses to the life of more 600 institutions of higher learnin most of these campuses, God is fronting the multitude through ministry of a parish pastor who a portion of his time and wo campus service. More than 450 p have accepted appointment by th tional Lutheran Council to ser this way. It can easily be recog

se parish pastors cannot hope several hundred or even thou- students. On many campuses, e great concentrations of Lu- tudents. Realizing this situation oblem, the National Lutheran now has nearly one hundred mbers giving their time to the ministry and its vast program.

Back to the Multitude

most casual observer will note the total student population the number of Lutheran stu- will also increase. For this rea- Lutheran Churches are facing rizons as they look to the cam- is good to know that leaders National Lutheran Council with favor on a sizable increase r in the amount of money that be allocated to the operating of its Division of College and sity Work. Added to this is the ng increase in the support of programs through contribu- o foundations. Undergirded by ncreases, campus programs are expanded to meet the growing

Sticks and Stones

quate facilities are needed to pro- setting for the ministry to the s. Long range planning again ved the way for an exciting pro- f building and expanding. Dur- five year period of 1955-1960, utheran churches agreed to set 1,750,000 to make these facilities le for campus work. For that each year $90,000 of the Ad- Program of the ELC Budget is d into this campus building pro- This means that a portion of Sunday offering is helping to acilities in order to bring a more te ministry to the campus multi- oday and tomorrow. New Lu- campus centers are rapidly be- g a familiar sight at state univer- nd colleges.

Why?

Christian Church, sensitive to uth in Jesus Christ, has no choice than to be involved in higher ion in every locale. It is grati- o be able to muse about the im- hat a Bible story may make on the mind of a small child. This same child will experience impacts from every quarter. When he steps into the academic world, great new vistas of learning will open to him on every side. At that point he will need more than nostalgic remembrances of exciting stories. His whole experience in learning needs to be tied together in the bond of his faith. No area of life can be sheltered from the illumination of the Gospel. Realizing this claim with serious commitment, campus staff summarize their responsibility by saying that their "mission is to bring the complete ministry of the Church to the entire campus."

"Complete . . . entire." The scope of their commitment is exciting. The worship of the Church will be there. The Good News of the Gospel will be proclaimed. The comfort and the consolation of the Gospel in the Lord's Supper will be offered. The Bible will be studied, and the doctrines of the Lutheran heritage will be examined. The history and life of the Churches will be reviewed. Troublesome problems will gain a sympathetic hearing, and the hope of the Word of God will be sounded.

Now and Then

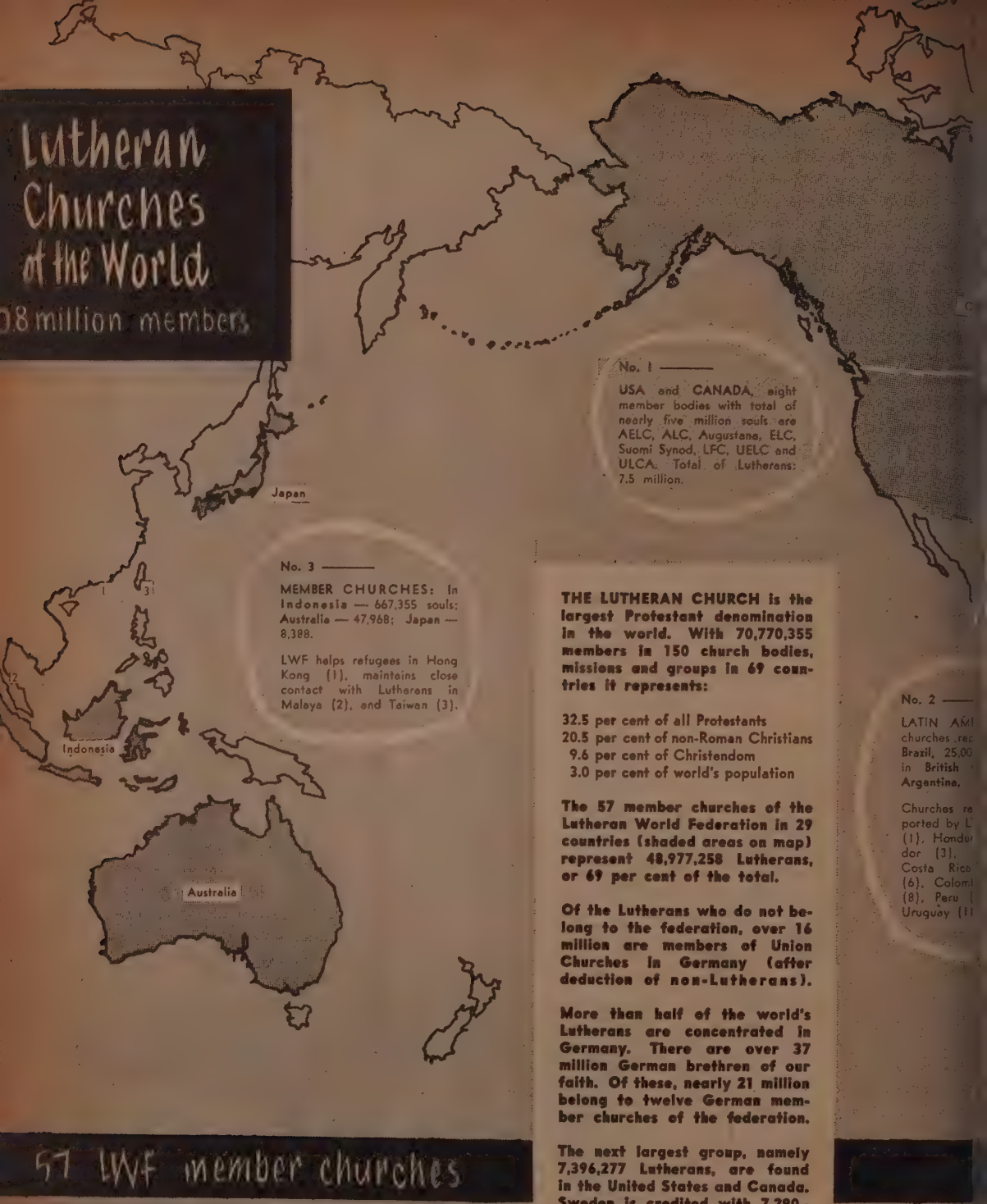
It will not be many years before that curious little boy will be unpacking his bags in a college dormitory. He will join a great campus multitude. Our concern for him was begun long ago in the campus mission of the church, and it will continue in the years ahead. This concern manifests itself in concrete ways in the life of congregations now.

It does little good to be concerned if that concern is not well informed of the need. Ignorance of campus needs is no longer a valid excuse for curtailing support. In almost every nook and corner of the ELC, there are campus staff available who are eager to interpret this mission and need. They are well informed, and they can accurately describe the multitude on their campus.

Then, it does little good to be well informed if there is no response to the need that is presented. In the Lutheran Co-operation portion of the ELC Budget, we are lending significant aid to the campus mission. In the Advance Program of the Budget, we are responding to critical needs for facilities. By contributions to campus foundations, congregations and organizations are taking seriously their responsibility to bring the whole ministry of the Church to the entire campus.

"Are these the people that Jesus preaches to?" A curious little boy asks a penetrating question. He is asking if this is a multitude confronted by the Master, or is it just another multitude? In a very realistic way, the answer in favor of the Master lies in the hands of His people who express their concern through support of the campus program of the Lutheran Churches.

Part of the fun at international meetings at the Lutheran Student Center at the University of Minnesota is getting acquainted with habits of strange lands. Here foreign students learn to eat with chopsticks.


Lutheran Churches of the World
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USA and CANADA, eight member bodies with total of nearly five million souls are AELC, ALC, Augustana, ELC, Suomi Synod, LFC, UELC and ULCA. Total of Lutherans: 7.5 million.
Japan
No. 3
MEMBER CHURCHES: In Indonesia — 667,355 souls; Australia — 47,968; Japan — 8,388.
LWF helps refugees in Hong Kong (1), maintains close contact with Lutherans in Malaya (2), and Taiwan (3).
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57 LWF member churches

THE LUTHERAN CHURCH is the largest Protestant denomination in the world. With 70,770,355 members in 150 church bodies, missions and groups in 69 countries it represents:

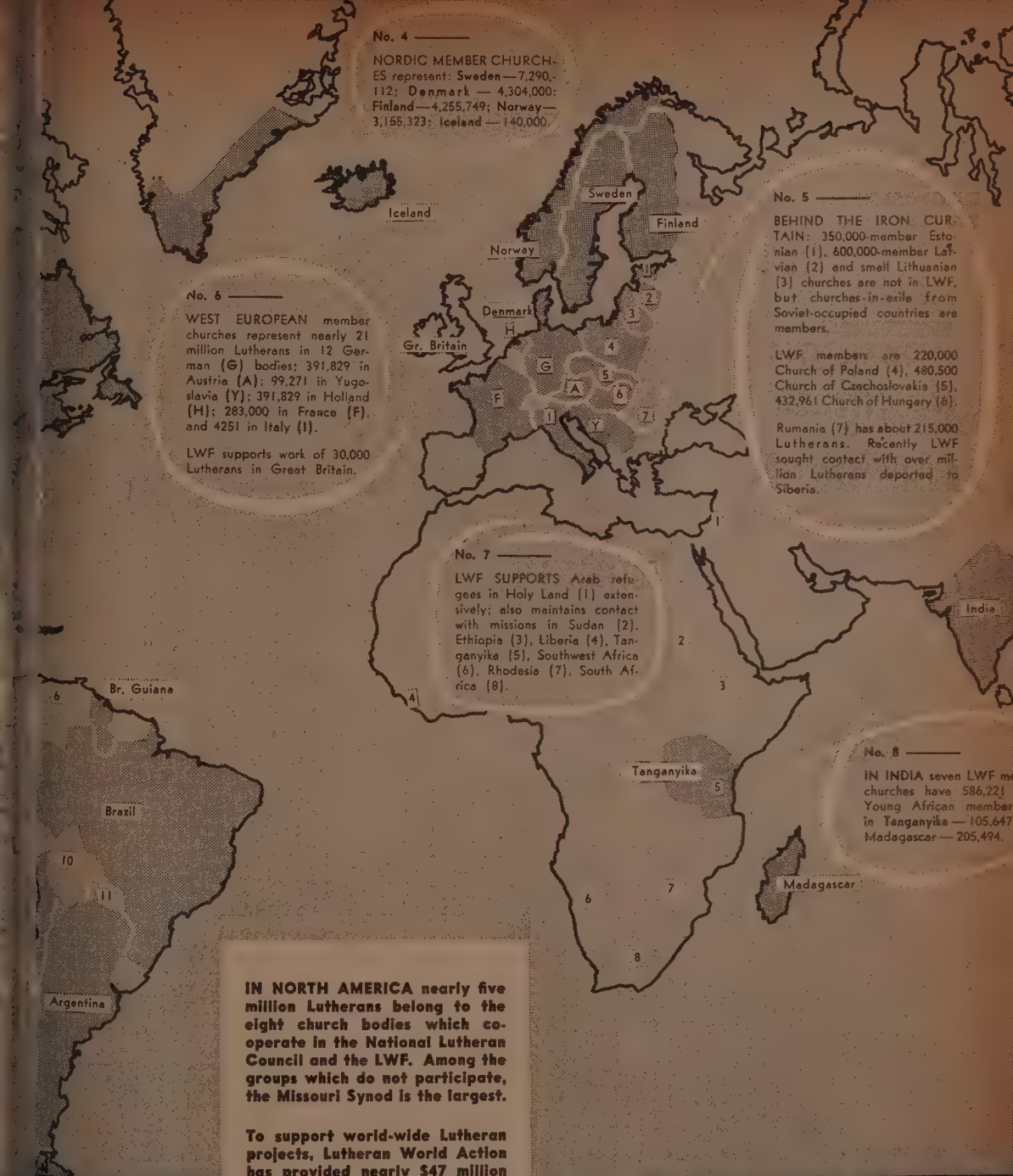
32.5 per cent of all Protestants
20.5 per cent of non-Roman Christians
9.6 per cent of Christendom
3.0 per cent of world's population

The 57 member churches of the Lutheran World Federation in 29 countries (shaded areas on map) represent 48,977,258 Lutherans, or 69 per cent of the total.

Of the Lutherans who do not belong to the federation, over 16 million are members of Union Churches in Germany (after deduction of non-Lutherans).

More than half of the world's Lutherans are concentrated in Germany. There are over 37 million German brethren of our faith. Of these, nearly 21 million belong to twelve German member churches of the federation.

The next largest group, namely 7,396,277 Lutherans, are found in the United States and Canada. Sweden is credited with 7,290,112, Finland with 4,225,749, Denmark with 4,304,000, Norway with 3,155,323. The number of Lutherans in Soviet-occupied Latvia, Estonia and Lithuania is estimated in excess of 1,500,000.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NORDIC MEMBER CHURCHES represent: Sweden—7,290,112; Denmark — 4,304,000; Finland—4,255,749; Norway—3,155,323; Iceland — 140,000
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No. 5
BEHIND THE IRON CURTAIN: 350,000-member Estonian (1), 600,000-member Latvian (2) and small Lithuanian (3) churches are not in LWF, but churches-in-exile from Soviet-occupied countries are members.
LWF members are 220,000 Church of Poland (4), 480,500 Church of Czechoslovakia (5), 432,961 Church of Hungary (6).
Rumania (7) has about 215,000 Lutherans. Recently LWF sought contact with over million Lutherans deported to Siberia.
No. 6
WEST EUROPEAN member churches represent nearly 21 million Lutherans in 12 German (G) bodies; 391,829 in Austria (A); 99,271 in Yugoslavia (Y); 391,829 in Holland (H); 283,000 in France (F), and 4251 in Italy (I).
LWF supports work of 30,000 Lutherans in Great Britain.
No. 7
LWF SUPPORTS Arab refugees in Holy Land (1) extensively; also maintains contact with missions in Sudan (2), Ethiopia (3), Liberia (4), Tanganyika (5), Southwest Africa (6), Rhodesia (7), South Africa (8).
India
Br. Guiana
Brazil
Tanganyika
No. 8
IN INDIA seven LWF m churches have 586,22 Young African member in Tanganyika — 105,647 Madagascar — 205,494.
Madagascar
Argentina
IN NORTH AMERICA nearly five million Lutherans belong to the eight church bodies which cooperate in the National Lutheran Council and the LWF. Among the groups which do not participate, the Missouri Synod is the largest.
To support world-wide Lutheran projects, Lutheran World Action has provided nearly $47 million for relief and inter-church aid in 75 countries. Lutheran World Relief has shipped relief goods valued at over $70 million to 29 countries.
In recent years almost all American Lutheran gifts have been channeled through the LWF.
49 million souls

Editorial...

More Recommended Changes

The other day I went through the *Report, 1958,* and listed changes which seem to require brief discussion. Let us turn to two of them today.

A new Part XVIII—*Standing Committees* will be found in the Bylaws. Provision is made for two committees which, it seemed to the Joint Union Committee, should have permanent status.

The first is the Standing Committee on Relations to Lutheran Churches. Such a committee was mentioned in the 1956 documents. Inadvertently, however, the Joint Union Committee failed to make provision for setting it up. This is now done. This committee is charged with representing TALC in negotiations with other Lutheran Churches. Since the primary responsibility for inter-church relations rests with the Church Council, it is provided that this Standing Committee is to "work under the direction of the Church Council."

Lest anyone should fear that such a committee might lead the Church into relationships for which it is not ready, the Constitution provides that any change in or the establishment of such relations must first be adopted by the General Convention and then be referred to the districts. Thus, the entire Church has a direct voice in the establishment of inter-Lutheran relationships. It should also be noted that it is only relations to *Lutheran* Churches which are within the purview of this committee.

The second standing committee is one on Worship and Church Music. The *Report, 1956,* made provision for an auxiliary in the area of church music. That never did appeal as a satisfactory solution. The establishment of a standing committee, it is hoped, will give ample freedom for the development of the gifts of the Church in both worship and church music. At the same time, since this committee works under the direction of the Church Council, a full measure of control in such important matters as orders of worship, kinds of hymnbooks, and so on, is assured.

No provision is made for an executive for either of the standing committees. The Standing Committee on Relations to Lutheran Churches will need none. It may well prove that the Standing Committee on Worship and Church Music will need a full-time executive. There is nothing to prevent the appointment of such a functionary.

Next we turn to a recommended change of wh personally disapprove but which, as a member o Joint Union Committee, I have accepted reluctant suspect that not a few people in The Evangelical theran Church will share my feelings, but I hope they will also go along with me in accepting it.

In the *Report, 1956,* it was provided that "the e of *The Lutheran Standard* shall be nominated by Board of Publication and the Church Council in session and shall be elected by the General Conve for a term of six years." In the *Report, 1958,* this been changed to read, "The editor of *The Luth Standard* shall be nominated by the Board of Pul tion and the Church Council in joint session and be elected by the Board of Publication for a term o years." In other words, the authority to elect the e of the official church paper has been taken from General Convention.

I have felt—and still feel—that the earlier prov was by far the sounder. It not only placed the resp bility of the editor squarely under the Church itse also assured his independence of the board which holds the power of appointment and reappointment him. To me, both those matters are of great import So also is the fact that the editor, as an elected func ary of the Church, enjoys a certain independence w no board servant can possibly enjoy.

It is significant that the other group of Luth Churches which are planning to unite (Augus ULCA, AELC, and Suomi) have taken a view dir opposite that of our Joint Union Committee. Re *The Lutheran:*

"Editor-in-chief would be elected by church con tions for a six-year term, the commission decided. important that the editor isn't squeezed between publication board and demands that he be a pron for various causes,' said Dr. O. V. Anderson, presider Augustana's Illinois Conference. Added Dr. Ber 'The editor has an educative function. The world m forward on the shoulders of minorities. The editor r help the Church move forward, not just help the "bi perpetuate its ideas. He must be a prophet, speal for the minority when needed, free to disagree.' "

I believe that it was a mistake for the Joint U Committee to make this change. However, I found self a minority of exactly one, and when one finds l self in that position, he graciously, although reluctai withdraws from his position! I hope our convention do the same. —O.G.M.

Toward the General Convention

Resolutions from the Board of Christian Education

ndary School Policy

REAS, The 1956 General Con- of The Evangelical Lutheran referred the matter of policy ondary schools to the Board of an Education and the Board of s with authority to place in ef- policy jointly approved by these ; and

REAS, A study of this matter w been completed by the board policy adopted; and

REAS, This policy is basic to the of the Church in the field of an Education; and

REAS, The policy statement d by the boards includes provi- or the continuing recognition of Lutheran Academy as a school Church on a temporary basis, ion which needs to be approved e General Convention of the ; now therefore

T RESOLVED, That the statement icy Regarding the Relationship e Evangelical Lutheran Church ndary Schools of the Church as d by the Board of Christian Ed- and the Board of Trustees be ed as follows:

iples Basic to a Policy garding Secondary Schools

Christian Church is vitally in- d in education at all levels and ypes. The Gospel of Jesus Christ to men in every station of life each stage of their educational and development. The manner ich the Church's message shall de vital in various schools and ional agencies has varied from time. There is undoubtedly no st way for the Church to relate rganizationally to the world of g.

statement of policy for secondary s in The Evangelical Lutheran h stated below is based upon the ing principles:

A

Evangelical Lutheran Church, gh congregation and synodical organization, is concerned that children, youth and adults shall receive the most adequate Christian education it is possible for the Church to provide. Therefore, the Church encourages and endorses the establishment and operation of secondary schools by congregations of the Church on the basis of the policy of local support stated below.

B

The American tradition of maximum responsibility for education at all levels remaining with those most directly concerned with it is valid also for the Church. Within this tradition is a principle, likewise valid for the Church, which holds that elementary and secondary education are more local in nature than is college education. This is because elementary and secondary education are enjoyed by most of the people in their own communities and because adequate facilities are more easily provided for elementary and secondary education than for college education, which is by its nature more diverse and more costly. The history of Lutheran and non-Lutheran Churches operating educational institutions indicates a general pattern of emphasis upon synodical or church-wide support for college education and emphasis upon a more local support for secondary schools.

C

The Evangelical Lutheran Church believes that the work of the Church is accomplished through various types of single-congregation and multi-congregation organization. Historically, the secondary schools of the Church have been supported in large measure by local constituencies even when these schools have been related to and recognized by the synodical organization. Nevertheless, these schools have been truly schools of the Church. In this day it is logical to assume a continuation of this pattern of more localized support for secondary than for college education.

D

The documents which provide for the establishment of The American Lutheran Church state that the Church (in addition to the seminaries) may recognize colleges, secondary, and vocational schools as institutions of the Church. These documents also provide for the possibility of various types of ownership for institutions of the Church. The statement of policy which follows aims to relate secondary schools to the Church through local interested constituencies, while still providing for assistance and specialized services to these schools by the Church through its Department of Christian Education.

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This statement of policy assumes that secondary schools of The Evangelical Lutheran Church could be certified to The American Lutheran Church and recognized as schools of that Church.

F

This statement of policy applies to relationships of The Evangelical Lutheran Church to its secondary schools until December 31, 1960. This policy is not intended to suggest or determine the policy of The American Lutheran Church after January 1, 1961.

A Policy for Secondary Schools of The Evangelical Lutheran Church

I. *Definition*

In this statement of policy the term "secondary school" is used to designate a school which includes the seventh (or the ninth) through the twelfth grade.

II. *General Policy*

Responsibility for the organization, operation, and welfare of a secondary school maintained by one parish of the Church rests with that parish. The following statement of general policy shall govern the Church in its relation with secondary schools operated by two or more parishes of the Church desiring to be approved schools of The Evangelical Lutheran Church, except as otherwise provided in III below.

A

In the organization and operation of a secondary school desiring to be approved by the Church, the academic program shall be planned in consultation with the Board of Christian Education, and the financial program shall be approved by the Board of Christian Education and the Board of Trustees. The sponsoring constituency shall assume complete financial responsibility for the institution. Funds for current operations and capital needs may be solicited within the sponsoring constituency upon the approval of the corporation or association operating the school. Such fund raising shall be planned in consultation with the Stewardship Department of the Church.

B

In accordance with the established policy of the Church, the Board of Christian Education shall supply leadership and guidance to the secondary schools in matters relating to curriculum, administration, and public relations.

III. *Special Policies Regarding Existing Institutions*

A. *The Schools in Canada*

Camrose College and Lutheran Collegiate Bible Institute have a long record of service to the Church and occupy a relationship to the Canadian Church similar to the relationship between the colleges and the Church in the United States, especially in the matter of the calling and training of pastors, missionaries, and other Church workers.

Also, Camrose College and Lutheran Collegiate Bible Institute function as university preparatory institutions because education through Grade 12 in Canada compares favorably with education through Grade 13 in the United States. At least partially, they take the place of colleges in the Canadian educational scheme.

The following policies shall therefore apply to the Canada schools:

(1) Camrose College and Lutheran Collegiate Bible Institute shall be owned by the Canada District of the Church. It is assumed that Camrose College will become an accredited junior college by the addition of Grade 13 before 1961.

(2) These schools shall receive an appropriation for current operations from the budget of The Evangelical Lutheran Church.

B. *Augustana Academy*

(1) Augustana Academy shall be owned by a corporation, the membership of which shall be made up of congregations which elect to belong to the corporation.

(2) Augustana Academy shall receive an appropriation for current operations from the budget of the Church.

C. *Dakota Lutheran Academy*

(1) The provisional recognition of Dakota Lutheran Academy shall continued until June 30, 1959, during that time the Academy s receive an appropriation for cur operations from the budget of Church.

(2) A decision regarding the rec nition of the Academy by the Chu after June 30, 1959, shall be m jointly by the Board of Trustees the Board of Christian Education. T decision shall be based upon the tr in enrollment, the rate at which debt of the school is retired, and other factors which, in the judgm of the boards, provide a basis for cision regarding the relationship of Church to the Academy in the futu

Correspondence

Gratifying

►Just recently I read your Charities issue of Jan 21, 1958. It was particularly gratifying to learn of the Parkland Children's Home and the Mental Health Service in the Lutheran Medical Center in Brooklyn. May these institutions expand and multiply!

David Morken
Bloomington, Ind.

Two Echoes of the Federation Assembly

►I would like to be permitted to call attention to two not-so-good outcroppings of the Lutheran World Federation in Minneapolis last summer. Both of these two incidents should have very sober and prayerful consideration by all sincere Lutherans. The writer could not attend any session of this great convention, which undoubtedly was both inspiring and helpful in many things. But, as often is, the sour notes are more noticeable than the constructive ones. I followed the convention closely through the newspapers and radio and television and comments made after its adjournment.

One day it came over the radio as well as in newspapers that Dr. Carl Lund-Quist, one of the great leaders of the Federation, had stated that the United States should recognize China. There was no news repor any American had the loyalty an gumption to defend the Ame Government in the matter.

The other incident happened the end of the ten-day meeting. A lution was passed, evidently wi objection, that the Lutheran W Federation should study the R Catholic Church. In talking for adoption of this resolution, Bi Hanns Lilje was quoted by ne pers and newscasts as warmly de ing the Catholic Church and inti ing that the Lutheran Churches misunderstood the Catholics.

The unfortunate repercussions that the Catholic press and indivi are making the most of this. I read it in Catholic papers and h it in discussions that we Luthe lack direction as to where we wa go and are on the way back to Catholics so fondly call the "C Church" and the "True Mot Church."

Now again I ask, were there Lutherans who took the floor and fended the scriptural base upon w Lutheran doctrine is based?

Alfred Solstad
Fisher, Minnesota

J. R. Hestenes

d the Fifth Sunday After Easter

Troubled Thomas

The Epistle: James 5:16-20 • The Gospel: Matthew 6:5-13

Monday, May 5

DEVOTED

Read John 11:16

nas' . . . said to his fellow disciples, also go, that we may die with

nas' life, it seems, was lived on a oard. One day you find he is a iever; the next day he does not know where he stands. But he is le of Jesus, and that is in his There is in his heart a deep devo- Christ, and his statement that he dy to die with His Master re- s fact. Jesus knew Thomas' diffi- d was patient with him.

God, sometimes I am like Thomas. about on the checkerboard of e day I see clearly; the next day with a clouded view. I pray that ill be gracious with me, O Father, engthen me so that the influences will not take away the props of n faith. Teach me that I do not my doubts but by my faith. For- e for every weakness, for every of doubt. Make me strong in Amen.

Tuesday, May 6

POOR UNDERSTANDING

Read John 14:5

Thomas said to him, "Lord, we do not know where you are going; how can we know the way?"

When Jesus was talking about the "Father's house" and that He was going there to prepare places for those who believed in Him, Thomas was having trouble with it. He couldn't follow Jesus in what he said. To him this was strange talk.

He was slow to understand that Jesus was talking about heaven and the hereafter. Perhaps other disciples were having the same trouble, but Thomas was frank enough to come out and say so. His admission led Jesus to say, "I am the way, and the truth, and the life; no one comes to the Father, but by me."

For the clear understanding given by the Holy Spirit, I pray, O God. I cannot know the things of the Spirit by my own reason or strength, but I can know them in my heart by the faith given unto me. Make me reliant upon faith for the things I cannot know by mere sight, that I shall understand. Amen.

Wednesday, May 7

HE MISSED IT

Read John 20:24

Now Thomas, one of the twelve, called the Twin, was not with them when Jesus came.

Following the resurrection, Jesus made several appearances to the disciples. These appearances served to revive their faith which had been dealt such a severe blow. On His first appearance to them, Thomas was not there and thus missed the joy of His reassuring presence. While the others were rejoicing Thomas was downhearted. While they were "glad when they saw the Lord," Thomas was yet under the spell of disillusionment. Thomas had missed something because he had missed being there.

How much we miss, blessed Jesus, when we are not with those of Your company! How much we miss when we absent ourselves from the assembly of Your people in the house of God! How much we miss when in our doubts we put ourselves in a corner, keep ourselves apart from those who have faith and could help us! Keep us close to Your Word and in Christian fellowship.

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Thursday, May 8

TOO MUCH!

Read John 20:25

he said unto them, "Unless I see will not believe."

s was asking too much! To believe sus has risen from the dead, and od in their very midst. Thomas ot believing a word of it! True, en were telling him they had seen He had been in their very midst. believe it was asking too much of as. He wanted proof. "Unless I see hands the print of the nails, and ny finger in the mark of the nails, ace my hand in his side, I will not " Thomas was not putting faith to at all.

e, O God, is the final test of my that I shall believe that Jesus came from the dead. Here, at this point, d or fall. To me there has been the witness of the Word; to me has he invitation to believe. Give me the to stake myself on the truth of the Remind me that my Lord is the of miracles. He arose from the dead ives me life eternal.

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Friday, May 9

EVIDENCE

Read John 20:27

Then he said to Thomas, "Put your finger here . . . do not be faithless, but believing."

Jesus knew that Thomas was having trouble. On this appearance to the disciples He quickly went to Thomas and offered Himself to his inspection. He "stepped down" for Thomas' sake so that Thomas could be raised above the deadlock of his doubts. Jesus knew that Thomas was weak and was ready to help him. He did not excuse him for his lack of faith. There is a gentle reprimand in the words, "Do not be faithless, but believing."

How often I say, dear Jesus, "Give me a crutch for my faith!" I have a wish within me for evidence so clear that I can touch it with my hands. For this humanness in me, forgive me, O Jesus. You have said that if I will try belief it will be its own best proof. Let me believe, then, with all my heart. You have not misled a single person who has launched out into the deeps of faith.

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Saturday, May 10

FAITH AT LAST

Read John 20:28

Thomas answered him, "My Lord and my God!"

Perhaps Thomas had to carry the burden of his slow faith to the very last. It may be that he was deeply humbled each time he remembered that he could not believe without first having been shown. The others had managed it, but not he. But he did come to full faith at last, and that is what mattered. What Thomas experienced is true for many people; but when he went forth to preach the Kingdom, he must have seen many people come to Christ on the strength of the witness of the Word alone.

I give You praise, Heavenly Father, that it is possible to believe without having all the answers. I can call Jesus Lord on the strength of the Word and by the prompting of the Holy Spirit. Make my whole endeavor one of praise and thanksgiving to You for the new life I have by this faith. And let it be a burning witness to a world that is so much in darkness. In Jesus' Name. Amen.

Church Building Declines

Church construction is declining, apparently because of the impact of the current business recession, the government reports.

During March, new construction dropped $3,000,000 from the February level, although ordinarily a seasonal increase occurs in building activity at this time.

The impact of the business downturn on church building programs is clearly evident in the government statistics for the first quarter of 1958, with construction falling from $68,000,000 in January to $64,000,000 in February and then $61,000,000 in March. But the situation does not give cause for pessimism, at least as yet, since total construction for the quarter was $193,000,000, only $2,000,000 less than the same period of 1957, when an all-time record for church construction was set.

Religious "Oscars"

Church Leaders Honored

Cecil B. DeMille, Hollywood movie producer, has been named to receive the annual "Lay Churchman of the Year" award. He is being honored for his production of "The Ten Commandments," "The King of Kings," and other inspirational moving pictures which have exerted "tremendous influence for peace and good will."

"Churchman of the Year" is Dr. Joseph R. Sizoo, an ordained minister of the Reformed Church in America. After a career as missionary, parish pastor, and seminary president, he became Milbank professor of religion at George Washington University and has developed an outstanding course of instruction in religion for secular students. He was named, the committee said, because he has shunned fame and fortune in his later years to work as a humble teacher.

Dr. Georgia Harkness will receive the "Church Woman of the Year" citation for her leadership in obtaining full recognition for women in the clergy and for her work in the ecumenical movement.

Ordained a minister of the Methodist church in 1926, she led a 30-year campaign to remove all restrictions from the ordination of women to the ministry in her denomination. She has written numerous popular books in the field of religion and is the author of several hymns which are widely used in Protestant churches. She has been active in promoting the work of the National Council of Churches and the World Council of Churches.

The awards will be presented at a banquet in Washington, D. C., May 3.

Catechism to be Modernized

The Church of England has appointed a commission to revise the Anglican Catechism "in order that its scope may be enlarged and its language made more suitable for present conditions."

The Commission, it was announced, will consult with a panel of laymen and women who are professionally engaged in teaching religion to children and young people.

"Luther" Ready for TV

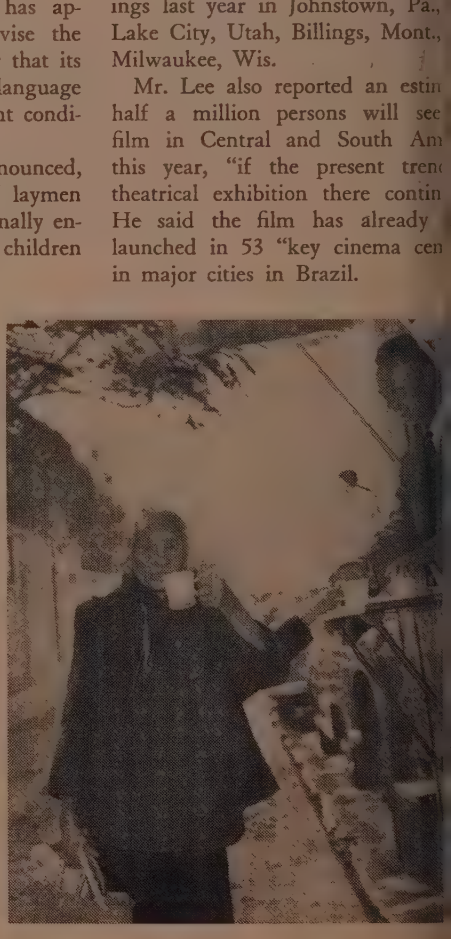
Television viewers will soon be ing the movie "Martin Luther" in homes.

Lutheran Church Productions, announces that it has authorize lease for television of the full-le film to advertisers, TV station church groups in the United State Canada.

The Lutheran film agency also to establish a "flat TV rental fe the basis for licensing telecasts o picture.

Robert E. A. Lee, executive secr of LCP, said the action by the age board of directors was based on cessful results of television test s ings last year in Johnstown, Pa., Lake City, Utah, Billings, Mont., Milwaukee, Wis.

Mr. Lee also reported an estim half a million persons will see film in Central and South Am this year, "if the present tren theatrical exhibition there contin He said the film has already launched in 53 "key cinema cen in major cities in Brazil.



A CUP OF MILK—A Chinese grandmother stops at a mobile canteen in Hong Kong to receive a cup of milk and a roll. The canteen, recently put into service by the Lutheran World Federation's Department of World Service, provides nearly 1,500 Chinese (mostly children) with a little food daily. Most of those helped are refugees in government resettlement areas of the city.

—NLC Photo

Africa, Young Man

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who has just returned from his
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t Salisbury, a Catholic institu-
th a growing multi-racial, inter-
student body.

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Church has 12,982 missionaries,
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last year. Of the total, 6,366
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er serve full-time in "foreign mis-
(outside organized stakes).

he Mormon Church, missionaries serve from 18 months to about three years. Their financial support comes from their families and friends. The report disclosed that missionaries made 30,129 converts in 1957, an increase of nearly 7,000 over the previous year.

NEW RELIEF EMBLEM—This emblem has been adopted as the official seal of Lutheran World Relief to be stamped on relief goods sent by the agency to the overseas needy. It combines the arm and cross, symbol of Lutheran World Action—"Love's Working Arm"—with the heart and five-petaled rose seal of Martin Luther.

Church Press Challenged

The president of the National Council of Churches and a well-known Chicago newspaper editor have charged that the religious press fails to speak out adequately and forcefully on social issues and to assume "a prophetic role" in Christian journalism.

The two men were Dr. Edwin T. Dahlberg of St. Louis, Mo., and Milburn P. Akers, editor of *The Chicago Sun-Times*. They addressed editors from the United States and Canada attending the 39th annual meeting of the Associated Church Press. Founded in 1916, the ACP comprises Protestant and Orthodox publications.

Dr. Dahlberg said that the "greatest opportunity of the religious press is that of adopting a prophetic role in society. It must deliberately educate and strengthen the conscience of the nation and be the voice of that conscience."

"It is a great mistake," he said, "to make church papers into mere program publications."

Mr. Akers declared that he was "greatly disappointed" to discover during a study of church periodicals that many publications refrain from commenting on great social issues. He said that religious periodicals can do a "great disservice" by avoiding social concerns.

Dr. Dahlberg called attention to the role of Christian journalism in seeking to interpret "the great dangers and potentials in this nuclear age."

"In this dramatic age of nuclear space," he said, "there should be the resources and ingenuity somewhere to develop a church journal of much greater dimensions than anything we now know, presenting the best scientific and theological thinking of our time in an understandable language."

Howling Success

400-Crib Church Nursery

Here's a new entry on the list of "biggest ever"—a 400-crib church nursery.

It will be included in a new wing of the Baptist Temple in Akron, Ohio.

Fifty women and a registered nurse will be on hand every Sunday morning to care for tots up to two years. There will be bassinets, rocking chairs, bottle warmers, and a dust-proofed, air-conditioned atmosphere.

When the new wing is completed, the temple will be able to seat 20,000 persons at once in its 14 auditoriums and assembly halls and 250 classrooms.

And when that happens, they will all be able to hear the sermon. A public address system lined to the sanctuary has a speaker in every room.

High-Flying Preacher

When the Rev. Curt Wetzel preaches on "A Wing and a Prayer" he really means it.

His "pulpit" is a single-engine airplane.

His "congregation" is composed of pedestrians on the streets of a town over which he is flying. A loudspeaker system in the airplane amplifies his voice so it can be heard on the ground below.

He preaches as his craft glides at 70 miles an hour, and plays hymns between sermons and Scripture reading.

Within the ELC

A Prayer, a Gift

A father's prayer that one of his small sons might enter the Lutheran ministry may someday be answered.

The answer to that prayer may come partly through the influence of a gift to the Luther Seminary Development Fund received this month in memory of the young father. He was Dayton Tarum, 33, of Hazel, S. Dak., farmer who was recently killed in a car-train accident.

Along with the memorial gift of $100 came the statement by his wife that it was Mr. Tarum's hope that one of his two young sons might someday become a pastor. Four young daughters also survive him.

California Pastor's Widow "Woman of the Year"

Mrs. Paul Borup, widow of a pioneer ELC pastor in California, was recently chosen by her community as their "woman of the year."

A California native, and a resident of Eureka, Calif., for 57 years, Mrs. Borup's activities have centered in many fields: her church, Calvary, of which she was organist for 44 years; the Red Cross; the YWCA; the Humboldt County historical society; United Church Women; and several other organizations.

Pastor Paul Borup, who died 11 years ago, two years after his retirement from the ministry, came to Eureka as pastor of Calvary Church in 1899 and served that church until 1944. Mrs. Borup grew up in nearby Ferndale, Calif. and was married to Pastor Borup in 1900.

Oldest Wisconsin Church Helped ELC Beginnings

Wisconsin's oldest Lutheran Church near Freistadt, described in the April 1 issue of Lutheran Herald, also had a significant association with early ELC beginnings.

Dr. E. Clifford Nelson, Luther Seminary history professor, points out that Pastor J. J. Grabau, Buffalo Synod leader, and Pastor C. L. Clausen, pioneer Scandinavian Lutheran minister in the United States, met in Buffalo, N. Y. early in 1843.

Later Clausen sought out Pastor Krause, founder of the Freistadt church, with a letter of introduction from Grabau. Clausen wanted to be ordained in order to serve as pastor for the Norwegians of the Muskego settlement.

Later, after the congregation was organized, the Muskego Church a formal request to Krause to ex and ordain their leader.

As a result, on Friday, Octob 1843, Clausen was duly examine five days later he was ordained Lutheran ministry in the prese his congregation in Even Heg's

WASHINGTON CHURCH DEDICATED—Dr. H. L. Foss, president of the Pacific District, as well as pastors of the North Puget Sound circuit are shown in the chancel of Trinity Church, Lynwood, Wash. at its recent dedication. The new $125,000 church sanctuary seats 450. Included also in new construction are a fellowship hall, kitchen, church offices and some Sunday school classrooms. The brick structure which has served the congregation as a church since 1946 is being converted for parish education use. The Rev. O. A. Crawford is pastor of Trinity Church.

Churches

Northfield, Minnesota — St. Church, the Rev. B. R. Biorn, voted this month to borrow $ on its church property to be loan turn to Christ Church, Oppor Wash. This sponsorship loan to Church, a Home Mission congreg will enable the construction of a day school unit and refinancing church extension fund loan of $5

Canby, Minnesota — Our Savi Church, the Rev. N. S. Magelsse pastor recently received as a gift one member a beautiful home fo as a parsonage. The gift was ma Ole Skorseth, a pioneer member church and community, whose died in December. Mr. Skorseth instrumental in bringing about merger of two congregations whi 1948, formed the present Our Sav Church, and served the new cong tion as its first president.

New Westminster, B. C.—Ni Church, the Rev. J. S. Stolee, p broke ground on Easter Sunday new church. The new location o church will give the congregation tional opportunity for membershi pansion.

Rainy Butte, N. Dak.—Rainy congregation, part of the New land, N. Dak parish served by the Elias K. J. Kristensen, broke gr on Easter Sunday for a new ch

Eau Claire, Wis.—Ground-brea ceremonies were held recently fo $83,000 education unit for the Luth Church of the Good Shepherd, E. M. Hegge, pastor. The congrega organized in October 1955, now 802 members and 300 children in day school. Grace Church, also in Claire, loaned its credit to make p ble this addition to the home mi congregation's property.

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the Blair-Buntrock-Kittelsen
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the efforts of the coeds them-

BK Chapel was a personal
almost a thousand women who
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the dorm was built in 1951,
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Women's Senate other coeds
contributing cash and sugges-

reflections gave new meaning
project as the passing years
untimely deaths to three Hille-
ll residents: Beverly Blair of
S. Dak. who died of a brain
n 1954; Joyce Buntrock of Co-
S. Dak., who died in an auto
in 1953; and Phyllis Olson

Kittlesen of Maynard, Minn., who met a similar fate in 1956.

Funeral memorials from all three former coeds boosted finances for the chapel plans and gave it a distinct personality. A small brass plate now carries their names at the chapel entry and their pictures hang nearby.

This Blair - Buntrock - Kittlesen Memorial Chapel was a long time in the making, but it has a rich St. Olaf personality. It represents the soda pop and ice cream money of countless coeds, plus many contributions of talent and manpower.

The chapel's basic design came not from the drawing board of a well-paid architect, but from the pencil of a Hilleboe Hall resident.

And the campus at St. Olaf supplied hundreds of board feet of one inch walnut that was finished off by school carpenters for the ten small benches and a modern altar and kneeling stand.

Other select pieces of this walnut went to make a false-beamed ceiling, the rich-looking altar cross, and candle holders.

The chapel has already become a restful retreat for evening devotions and Hilleboe Hall coeds have made it a part of their college life.

Students Visit Washington

Forty-nine ELC students were among those who attended the annual Washington seminar for Lutheran students in the nation's capital. One student was from Luther Seminary, 21 were from ELC colleges, and 27 from other institutions of higher learning. Sponsored by the National Lutheran Council, the annual tour gives Lutheran students an opportunity to learn first hand about government operations.

Prepare for Summer Work

Waldorf College, Forest City, Iowa, is conducting a "summer service seminar" this semester, preparing students for service during the summer in church jobs such as Bible camp counselors, Vacation Church School teachers, and other parish assignments. Eleven students in the course have already been placed in summer jobs.

Plan New Building

Ground-breaking ceremonies for a new building were held recently at Camrose Lutheran College, Camrose, Alta. A two-story classroom-library building is planned. The Rev. Conrad Lund, president of the school, has announced the anticipated cost of the new structure will be about $200,000.

PLC Builds Again

Construction of two buildings at Pacific Lutheran College, Parkland, Wash. was recently authorized by its board of trustees. The building to be started June 10 includes a three-story addition to the Science Hall and a social education annex to the College Union building. The authorized construction is the first phase of a million-dollar development program. Other phases include the building of a business administration-education building and the remodeling of Old Main to house 80 additional men. The board also voted recently to rename Old Main, "Harstad Hall" in honor of the school's founder, the Rev. Bjug Harstad.

St. Olaf Coach Retires

The dean of Minnesota football coaches, Ade Christenson of St. Olaf College, is relinquishing his post at the end of this school year. Retiring after 30 years, Coach Christenson asked that a younger man be given his job. He will continue to serve on the college staff as head of the physical education department and director of athletics.

California Adds Staff

The Rev. William Hansen, pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church, Norwalk, California, has accepted the call to become director of Public Relations for the California Lutheran Educational Foundation. Mr. Hansen, a pastor of the United Evangelical Lutheran Church, becomes the second staff member of the foundation which was incorporated in October, 1957 with the purpose of establishing a Lutheran liberal arts college in California. Dr. Orville Dahl has been president of the Foundation since its beginning.

Obituary

Mrs. Julie Ann Hegland, widow of the late Dr. Edward Hegland, died at Pipestone, Minn. on April 3 at the age of 87 years. She was born on June 2, 1882 at Chicago, Ill. In 1915 she was married to Dr. Edward Hegland. Her husband was a pastor at Elim Lutheran Church in Minneapolis from 1915 to 1921. In 1921 they moved to Jasper, Minn., where he served the Bethania, Highland and Jasper Churches until his death in January, 1941. Since that time Mrs. Hegland has lived in Minneapolis and Jasper. Survivors include one son. Funeral services were held on April 7th at the Jasper Evangelical Lutheran Church with Pastor Judeen Johnson and Pastor I. G. Hastad in charge. Burial was in the Perry Lutheran Church cemetery near Mt. Horeb, Wisconsin.

Changes of Address for ELC Pastors

E. L. Bentson, 521 E. Micheltorena, Santa Barbara, Calif., 3-1-58

Johnnie Glad, Unneberg Ave., Flanders, N. J., 3-9-58

Robert Cordes, Record Route, Texhoma, Tex. 4-20-58

S. K. Emerson, 817 Air Base Group, SAC, Pease AFB, N. H., 3-8-58

Olaf Holen, 2207 Jensen Ave., Ames, Iowa, 3-31-58

Francis E. Jeffrey, Chanute AFB, Ill., 4-8-58

T. S. Johnson, Hq.ASA Trng. Center, 8622 DU, Fort Devens, Mass. 3-1-58

S. K. Knutson, 18 Oakley Ave., St. Paul 4, Minn., 3-31-58

Burnell A. Lund, Viroqua, Wis. 4-6-58

Arnold T. Nesvig, Base Chapel, McConnell AFB, Wichita, Kansas, 4-8-58

Paul Nostbakken, Baboua-Bouar, via Bangui, French Equatorial Africa, 3-28-58

Richard L. Peterson, 3918 58th Ave. N., Minneapolis, Minn. 3-1-58

Lloyd V. Sand, Meiganga via Douala, French Cameroun, W. Africa, 4-2-58

Robert L. Henriksen, 4th and Kansas City St., Rapid City, So. Dak., 1-31-58

James H. Hanson, Glendive, Mont., 3-10-58

C.O.B. Ness, 510-N. 11th St. Montevideo, Minn., 3-10-58

Norman Olson, 139 Higashi Tamagawa-Cho Setagaya-ku, Tokyo, Japan, 2-14-58

Johan Olsen, 17723 W. Westview, Waukesha, Wis.,

N. L. Otterstad, Northwood, Ia., 3-1-58

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H. E. Everson, Baldwin, Wis., 4-15-58

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Lavern R. Hanson, 220-2nd St. N. E., Mason City, Ia., 4-14-58

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Announcements

Wanted—18 used pews, 9 feet in length, for a small church. Write Henry Nelson, R.F.D. No. 1, Erhard, Minn.

Wanted—Used black choir robes, 2 small and 2 medium size. Write Mr. Milton Jacobson, 207 E. Franklin Ave., Barron, Wis.

Correction: The Luther League Leadership School for the Rocky Mountain District will be held at Montana State College, Bozeman, Mont. Dean for the Canada District will be the Rev. Norman Salte, Fairy Glen, Sask.

Eleventh annual **Young Men's Conference,** June 6-8, at Lutherdale Bible Camp, 8 mi. north of Elkhorn, Wis. For boys 15-21 of Chicago, Illinois, Milwaukee, Madison, Mt. Horeb, Rock River, and Green Bay Cts. Write DuWayne Sheldon, Richmond, Ill.

Norwegian service is being presented every Sunday at 1:30 over station KGDE, Fergus Falls, Minn., by the Rev. O. G. Aasen.

Help wanted in locating Nels Severson, who was born in Colton, S. Dak., March 9, 1882. Last heard of in Regina, Sask. Please write Lyle A. Severson, 21834 Koontz Way, Topanga, Calif.

Circuit Conventions

Lake Superior WMF, May 13, Bethlehem Church, Two Harbors, Minn. Speaker: Missionary Marjorie Bly of Taiwan.

Eau Claire WMF, May 13, Hope Church, Eau Claire, Wis. Speakers: Mrs. Byron Nelson and Missionary Hiram Ellingson of Madagascar.

Rice Lake WMF, May 6, Bethany Church, Catawba, Wis. Speakers: Mrs. E. W. Sihler and the Rev. Kenneth Peisker.

Mondovi WMF, May 6, Lookout Church, Mondovi, Wis. Speakers: Mrs. Carl Nordhagen and Miss Froydis Myrvold.

Thief River Falls WMF, May 13, United Luth. Church, Gatzke, Minn. Speakers: Mrs. Oscar Branstad and Miss Gertrude Sovik.

St. Ansgar WMF, May 6, Zion Church, Rake, Iowa. Speakers: Betty Ellingboe and Mineyasu Sugita, Japanese student at LBI.

Milwaukee WMF, May 15, Our Savior's Church, 3022 W. Wisconsin Ave., Milwaukee, Wis. Speakers: Mrs. Lauretta Schulz of Luth. Welfare and Dr. Conrad Thompson, director of Evangelism.

Madison Brotherhood, May 4, Trinity Church, 1810 Winnebago St., Madison, Wis. Speaker: The Rev. Myron C. Austinson, president, Eastern District.

Fillmore WMF, May 6, Rushford Church, Rushford, Minn. Speakers: Pastors "Ham" Muus of Plymouth Youth Center and A Reuben Gornitzka.

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25-29 Roslyn, South
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T. W. TYSDAL:

4-8 Grantsburg, W
Wesley Hauge
11-18 Mercer, North

24-August (Interim) Calvary
Honolulu

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4-9 Willow City, North
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11-16 Dunseith, North
E. A. Stouslan
18-23 Rolette, North
Hobart Skilbre
25-30 Walford, North
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N. E. Benson
11-15 Revere, M
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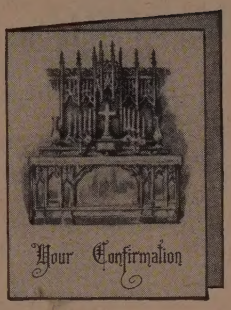

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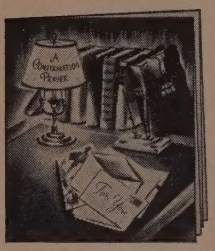

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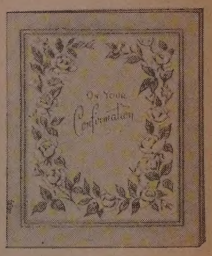

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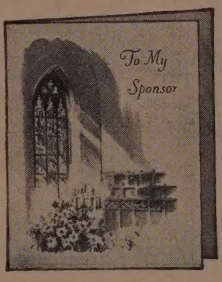

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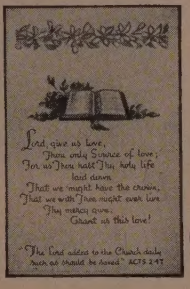
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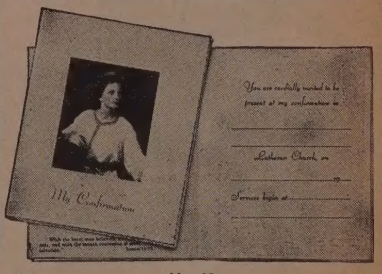

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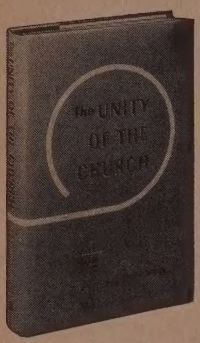

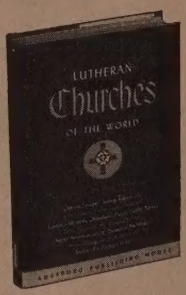

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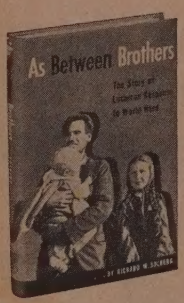

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